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The Steam Ship "ASIA," 1,765 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander J. P. Gavin, is to be despatched on SATURDAY, the 13th March inst., at 4 P.M.

	March 1875.		March 1875.
Leave BOMBAY	13	Leaves Galle	23
„ Mangalore	15	„ Negapatam	26
„ Cannanore	16	„ Madras	29
„ Tellicherry	17	„ Coconada	30
„ Calicut	18	„ Visagapatam	31
„ Beypore	18	„ Bimlipatam	31
„ Cochin	19		April
„ Alleppy	19	„ Calingapatam	1
„ Tuticorin	21	„ Coop pore	1
„ Colombo	22	„ Fal Point	2
		Arrive CALCUTTA	4

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamers as this line hence or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle by the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

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	March 1875.		March 1875.
Leave BOMBAY	12	Leave BUSHIRE	21
„ Kurrachee	16	„ Fao	31
			April 1875
„ Muscat	19	„ Bushire	7
„ Bunder Abbas	20	„ Lingah	8
„ Lingah	20	„ Bunder Abbas	9
„ Bahrein	20	„ Jask	10
„ Bushire	20	„ Muscat	13
„ Fao	27	„ Kurrachee	16
Arrive BUSSREH	28	Arrive BOMBAY	19

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No. 14, Medows Street.

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THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA, and BOMBAY on the 9th and 24th, on the 1st and 15th of each month.

PASSENGERS' RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
To Aden	£32	£15	£4	Including Wine.
„ Suez	36	22	6	
„ Port Said	36	24	9	
„ Messina	50	34	14	
„ Naples	50	34	14	
„ Leghorn	50	34	14	
„ Genoa	50	34	14	
„ Marseilles	50	35	14-10	

Children under 2 years, free of charge. Children not above 10 years, half fare.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY:—

"ASIRIA," to sail about the Middle of March.
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"ST MATRA," to sail about the middle of April 1875.
"ARABIA," to sail on SATURDAY, 1st May, 1875.
"BATAVIA" to sail on TUESDAY, 1st June 1875.

All Steamers of this Company have large First and Second-Class accommodation.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For hand-books of information, rates of freight, &c., apply to

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Bombay, 19th January 1875.

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To leave end of March.

THE fine S. S. "HUTTON," 2,360 Tons, F. W. Hodges, Commander, belonging to Messrs. Joseph Heald & Co., has accommodation of a superior description in a Saloon built on deck for first-class Passengers only and is fitted with a "Ladies' Saloon," Smoking Room, Bath Rooms, Ice House, and Punkahs, she carries a Surgeon and Stewardess.

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Bombay, 5th March 1875.

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On WEDNESDAY, the 10th instant, Messrs. NUSSERWANJEE CULLIANDAS and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at 2 o'clock P.M., in the godown of Messrs. Volkart Brothers, on Great Road, near Two Tanks, the following Cases of Matches—

On account and at the risk of Abdoolabhoy Issa, Triangle—B & M—V—263-312—13 Cases Crown Matches ex Southwick.

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„	„	283-332— 5 Cases Crown Matches ex Kingdom of Fife.
„	„	435-57,5 8-47— 9 Cases Crown Matches ex Ladi.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be taken at the time of sale.

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Bombay, 5th March 1875.

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Bombay, 6th March 1875.

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The hull and frame of the vessel are in good condition, the beams and decks only being destroyed. The materials consist of Windlass, Winches, Anchors and Chains, Iron Blocks, Wire, Ropes, &c., &c., and can be seen at the Cove of the Inscription Maritime," at Pondicherry, for three days previous to the sale.

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Easton's Syrup of the Phosphates of Iron, Quinine, and Strychnia.

In Colds, poverty of the blood, nervousness, and in all cases of debility, by its use the appetite is revived, digestion of food increased, and physical strength restored.

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WINES.

The BICHE-LATOUR'S

FAVORITE CLARETS.

	Rs.
MEDOC VIEUX, Breakfast Wine...per doz.	Qts. 10
Ditto ditto ..... „	Pts. 6

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HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

Red Seal, Pale, Dry	per doz.	Rs. 20
Green Seal, Pale, Dry, Superior	„	„ 24
Red Seal, Rich Brown	„	„ 26
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"Xeres" by direct importation	„	„ 18

5 Per cent. Discount on taking 5 Dozens.

PORT WINE,

OLD, FULL BODIED,

Rs. 24 per dozen.

GERMAN WINES.

STILL HOCK.

RIESLING	per doz.	Quarts	Rs. 13 0
Do. No 1	„	„ Quarts	„ 14 0
RODENHEIMER	„	„ Quarts	„ 15 0
Do.	„	„ Pints	„ 8 0
GEISENHEIMER	„	„ Quarts	„ 16 0
Do.	„	„ Pints	„ 8 8
NIERSTEINER	„	„ Quarts	„ 18 0
Do.	„	„ Pints	„ 9 8
RUDESHEIMER	„	„ Quarts	„ 21 0
Do.	„	„ Pints	„ 11 0
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BASS'S PALE ALE,

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Admission, Time and Terms as usual.

W. CROPLEY.

N. B.—On account of the Great Crowd there will be a separate entrance for Ladies and those accompanying them.

BOMBAY EDUCATION SOCIETY.—The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Subscribers will be held in the Committee Room, Boys' School, Byculla, on THURSDAY, 11th March 1875, at 4-30 P.M., to receive the Report of the Council of Directors, and to transact any other business that may be brought forward.

The DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES to the Children of the Schools will take place after the Meeting, His Excellency Sir P. E. WODEHOUSE, K.C.B., President, in the chair.

All friends of the Schools are invited to be present.

G. C. REYNELL,
Honorary Secretary.

Byculla, 2nd March 1875.

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These have exactly the same movements as the above Time-pieces in a black wooden frame with a 7 inch dial, and would suit an office or dining room.

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Badham's Oxford Cloth, all new Patterns with Collars attached, cool and absorbent, highly recommended for Mofussil wear each	6	8
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Best wove Flannel	3	0
Best Striped Flannel, all new patterns, well shrunk ..... each	8	8
Badham's Printed Flannel, a choice of Patterns ..... each	8	8
Badham's Silk and Wool Shirts, thoroughly shrunk, in plain colour or Fancy Stripes ..... each	9	0
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	Suit.	
Striped Cambric, of these a great variety of Patterns	7	8
Oxford Cloth, cool and absorbing	11	0
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	Each.	
Striped Cambric	3	0
Best French Cambric	4	0
Best Oxford Cloth	5	0
Best wove Flannel	3	0
Best silk and wool	9	8
Best spun silk	12	8

DRESSING GOWNS.

	Rs.	a.
Oxford Cloth, plain or fancy colours	11	0
Best wove Flannels, plain or neat fancy stripes	29	0
Fancy Striped Flannels, a large selection	20	0
Printed Cashmere	20	0

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	Rs.	a.
Fine White Blankets, large size real Bath, from ..... per pair	Rs. 22 to 30	0
Fine Scarlet, large size, manufactured from picked wool, well suited for Travellers ..... per pair	25	0
Extra large do. do. „	30	0
Alpaca or Mohair double Rugs, colours or reversible Tigers ..... 30 to	35	0
Fine Austrian Rugs, a variety of colours, very soft and light, large sizes ..... each	30	0
The Sandringham Rug, very light and warm, made from the best picked wool, in neat colours	38	0
Witney Rugs, plain Grey; these are made long and wide in proportion, recommended for Travellers and district use ..... 10 8 to	15	0
Scotch Maude, fancy colours and Heather mixtures, from	15	8

TOWELS.

	Dozen.	
Best Huckaback, with borders, strong and durable ..... to	10	to 12 8
Christy's best Toilet Towels, ready for immediate use	12	0
Bath do. do.	12	0 to 25 0
Brown Turkish, Medium size	25	0
White Turkish, the best towel made	25	0
Bath-Beden	28	0
Toilet White Turkish	22	0

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SATURDAY EVENING, 6TH MARCH 1875.

THE receipts of cotton at the American ports for the week, only come to 77,000 bales, Reuter's report of Tuesday last giving 28,000 bales as the figures for two, instead of three days, having put us out here by 12,000 bales. But although this is 21,000 bales less than the corresponding week last year, and the total for the season so far 174,000 bales behind last, the Liverpool market closes very dull to-day, with sales only 8,000 bales, prices unchanged. At first sight the position seems somewhat contradictory, but when considered closely there are several causes to account for quieter markets. In the first place although the receipts are so much behind the corresponding period last year, they are only 1,000 bales behind last week, and if they were to continue steady at the same level for a few weeks, crop estimates of 4 millions would probably again come into favour. In fact, with the corrections the same, as last year, and the same scale of receipts for the remainder of the season we have now just lost sufficient to bring exactly a 4 million crop. It is not improbable also that the heavy arrivals here may be beginning to attract attention, our receipts since 1st September last, being already 103,000 bales ahead of last season, while in addition, there is the possibility of rumours respecting preparations for the next American crop, being such as to exercise an adverse influence. In any case the position is full of uncertainty at the moment, and any day's news might be sufficient to induce either a considerable rise or decline.

The American statistics to date show the following comparisons:—

	1875	1874	1873
Week's receipts	77,000	98,000	81,000
" Exports to U. K.	51,000	75,000	37,000
" " Continent	87,000	55,000	16,000
Total rects. since 1st Sept.	2,976,000	3,150,000	2,794,000
" Exports to U. K.	1,252,000	1,191,000	1,143,000
" " Continent "	605,000	626,000	522,000
Stocks of Cotton at the Ports	761,000	765,000	564,000

The following figures show the visible supply of cotton in and afloat for the U. K. on the 5th instant as compared with last week and the corresponding date last year. At the moment these have only a secondary influence as against the American advices, but in the course of a few weeks, when the crop question becomes more settled, attention will begin to be drawn to them especially as regard Surats.

	1875	Last week	1874
Stock in Liverpool.....	680,000	710,000	732,630
" London.....	120,500	131,875	138,720
American afloat.....	360,000	340,000	316,000
East Indian "	230,000	180,000	141,000
	1,390,500	1,361,875	1,378,000
Price of Mid-Orleans ...	8¼d.	8 1-16d.	8
" Fair Dhollera ...	5¼d.	5¼d.	5 3-16d.
Difference ...	2¼d.	2 13-16d.	2 13-16d.

The Manchester piece goods market has not changed, yesterday's report being quiet but steady, prices the same in every instance, Reuters' statement of the shipments of goods to India last month, shows comparatively full supplies for Bombay of everything except twist, and large for Calcutta in all items.

Yesterday's closing message gave nothing new of a general character, and to-day Consols were still quoted 93¾; French Rentes at 103 and Bar Silver at 57½d. per oz.

IN STERLING EXCHANGE here, there has really been no change to-day, the feeling having been exceedingly quiet, and only a moderate business transacted. Closing quotations are :...

Bank Bills, on demand	... 1s.10 3-32d.	p. Rupee
Do. 6 months' sight	...1s. 10 15-32d.	
Credits 3 months' sight	... 1s. 10 7/16d.	
Documents 3 months' sight	... 1s. 10 15-32d.	

On Calcutta there is no alteration, no business of any moment being reported. GOVERNMENT PAPER is decidedly quieter and there are sellers but no buyers at current rates, yesterday's Rs. 102¼, Fours and a half Rs. 103¾; Fives and a half Rs. 109¾. The SHARE Market has been closed owing to the Hindoo holiday.

IN COTTON a much easier tendency has been observable, sellers have been more anxious to do business and a concession of quite Rs. 2 per Candy has been obtainable from yesterday's quotations. The excitement in Ginned Broach has quietened down materially and a good number of re-sales have been offering at Rs. 238 full pressed. Akote shows a similar tendency, sellers offering at Rs. 188. In good Fair Oomra we did not hear of any business, but about Rs. 192 to Rs. 193 is the quotation. Fine Bhownuggur Rs. 198 is asked. The receipts for the week [illegible] bales against 61,760 bales last week and 47,666 for the same week last year; the total since 1st September being 506,899 bales and 403,529 bales for this and last season respectively.

FREIGHTS by steamer are quiet but comparatively steady in £2-6 3 to £2 7-6; for sailing ships, however, the enquiry is extremely slow and £2-2 6 to £2-9-6 may be quoted as the nominal rates.

PIECE GOODS are quiet but in no way altered. Such enquiry as there is, runs on light makes of Grey Goods of fine quality which are generally in high supply at the Cove, and 8¼lb. Shirtings are neglected and somewhat difficult of sale. Bleached fabrics are in fair request at comparatively full rates.

BANKS.

No. of Shares	Nomi. value per sh.	Paid up.	Last divi-dend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. c.		
100,000	100	all	5 p.c.	Agra Bank.....	90
22,000	1,000	all	7½ p.c.	Bank of Bengal.....	1,410
20,000	400	all	5p. c.	Do of Bombay New ..	720
5,250	1,000	all	6 p.c.	Do of Madras ..	1,180
20,000	250	all	9 p.c.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. & China.....	300
40,000	281½	all	Nil	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	275
60,000	200	all	5 pct.	Chartered Bank of India & China	175
40,000	250	175	5 p.c.	National Bank of Indi	116
60,000	250	all	12 p.c.	Oriental Bank	475

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	5,000	2,850	100p.c.	Akbar Cotton Press Co ..	1,650
200	2,000	1,100	50 p.c.	Albert Co., Karrachee.....	725
50	50	all	18 p.c.	Albert Ginning Co.....	60
250	1,000	200	00	Alfred Mills Co	1,100
154	12,500	11,000	2.0p.c.	Apollo Press Co.....	3,200
625	1,000	all	...	Bellary.....	640 c.c.
2,000	500	all	60p.c.	Berar Company (New) ..	540
300	2,000	all	200p.c.	Bombay Press Co.....	1,700
200	500	all	50p.c.	Do New.....	350
1,4 0	250	all	65 p.c.	Broach Cotton Co	250
400	1,500	all	25p.c.	Carwar Company.....	700
200	250	all	...	Coconada Press Co.....	140
1,500	all	all	175p.c.	Colaba Press Co.....	2,500
500	250	all	Nil	Dhollera P. & G. Co.	200
1,000	all	all	...	East India Press Co.....	1,030
150	2,500	all	200	Fort Press Co.....	2,300
200	1,000	200	15 p.c.	Franji Cowasji Press Co	400
200	1,000	all	100 p.c.	French Press Co.....	435
2150	...	1,40	100 p.c.	Imperial Press Co.....	445
3125	400	350	60 p.c.	Mofussil Press & G. Co.	415
600	2,000	1500	...	New Press Mazagon Co ..	1,750
120	...	1,80	200 p.c.	Printers of Wales Press.....	1,575
200	1,200	all	200 p.c.	Samoon Press Co.....	1,070
400	500	750	135 p.c.	Scinde Press Co.....	405
300	1,000	750	...	Scindeand Punjab Cotton Press Co., Limited.....	825
150	250	all	12½ p.c.	Vic. Cot. Gin & Press Co.	1,000
450	1,000	all	100p.c.	Volkart's United Press Co.	900

* Per share for the half year.

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

.....	1,250	all	150	Alexandra Spinning	1,550
800	5,000	all	200	Alliance Spinning	3,050
200	2,000	500	...	Bhownuggur M. & P. Co.	1,800
200	1,000	all	100	Bombay United	1,245
1,000	150	150	10	Broach Mills	220
200	1,000	750	...	Colaba Spinning	1,010
2,0 0	2,000	all	100 p.c.	Dhurumsey Spinning.....	1,595
1,500	1,25	all	125p.c.	Fleming S. & W. Co ..	1,150
1,000	1,000	all	115 p.c.	Great Eastern	1,215
700	1,000	all	...	Hindustan S. & W. Co...	1,150
720	1,000	all	115 p.c.	Jeevraj Bullos Mills	1,150
.....	...	800	...	Khandelah Spinning	1,150
800	1,250	all	Nil	Madras Spinning.....	1,250
.....	...	500	...	Madras U. Spinning	1,030
2,500	1,000	all	65	Manockji Petit's.....	1,255
1,000	1,000	all	120 p.c.	Morarjee Spinning	1,260
4,000	500	all	60	Oriental	760
600	1,250	250	...	Prince of Wales Spinning	755
110	1,000	1,000	200 p.c.	Soonderdas Spinning.....	1,120 c
500	1,000	250	312½ p.c.	Do. Rs. 1,4 share	270

* Per share for the half-year.

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

.....	£20	318-3-7	5 p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consoli. dated Stock	244
.....	£20	18 3 14	do.	Do. New £20 Shares	126
.....	£5	6 7 5	do.	Ditto	72
.....	£8	21 12 6	do.	Ditto	32
.....	£25	42 10 0	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co	1,100
.....	£18	29 4 10	do.	Do. New £18 Shares	220

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	60	Colaba Land Co.....	1,135
7,500	150	all	...	Fores Land & Pier Co. Ld	120
1,750	2,000	2,000	200 p.c.	Mazagon Land	1,225
6,000	1,400	all	150 p.c.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited	265

MISCELLANEOUS.

2,000	15,000	1,500	180 p.c.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	1,730
1,000	50	all	15 p.c.	Bombay Gas Company ...	65
.....	500	500	37½ p.c.	Landing and Shipping Co. of Kurrachee Ld..	120
2,150	200	100	5 p.c.	Malabar Company Ld...	100
4,000	50	all	...	Mechanics' Build'g Co...	18
1,500	500	all	p. c.	Thresher & Co	300
.....	250	all	40 p.c.	Vizaga Patent Slip Co....	60

BANK OF MADRAS.

THE following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Madras for the week ending 27th February as compared with that for 20th February :—

LIABILITIES.	20th Feb. Rs.	27th Feb. Rs.
Capital	56,25,000	56,25,000
Public Deposits	69,78,966	67,47,425
Other Deposits	64,79,859	61,06,739
Cash Credits	2,72,135	1,45,246
Post Bills	12,144	9,138
Reserve Fund	4,00,000	4,00,000
Special Reserve Fund	.....	.....
	Rs. 1,97,68,053	190,36,650

ASSETS.	Rs.	Rs.
Silver & Notes at H. Office.....	89,91,496	81,84,161
Govt. Reserve,—Cash	6,11,245	12,09,286
Govt. Securities.....	22,42 411	20,10,022
Loans	16 39,516	15,69,389
Account of Credits	3,84,146	3,19,146
Mercantile Bills discounted	25,51,717	37,78,528
Dead Stock	2,26,765	2,26,854
Bills of Exchange.....	9,35,119	8,61,545
Due by other Banks.....	11,96,595	8,57,713
	Rs. 1,97,68,053	190,63,650

BANK OF BENGAL.

THE following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bengal for the week ending 2nd March as compared with that for 23rd February :—

LIABILITIES.	23rd Feb. Rs. A. P.	2nd March Rs. A. P.
Capital	2,20,00,000 0 0	2,20,00,000 0 0
Reserve Fund	16,06,037 7 9	16,06,050 13 1
Treasury Balance	3,26,85,602 6 0	3,20,17,886 3
Total Deposits	2,70,85, 03 15 6	2,54,25,456 12 10
Bank Post Bills, &c.....	5,94,181 11 10	5,17,747 15 0
Sundries	5,14,021 10 3	5,05,011 13 7
Rs.	8,37,25,507 4 3	8,01,22,215 13 9

ASSETS.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Government Securities....	1,76,83,612 0 10	1 75,05,623 4 10
Loans on Govt. Securities.	77,53,050 0 0	80,96,850 0 0
Credits on Ditto ..	3,54,117 4 8	25,71,393 2 4
Bills discounted.....	1,85,84,623 0 2	1,96,47,351 10 2
Dead Stock	10,73,891 9 10	10,72,756 1 1
Stamps	13,637 4 5	13,599 0 5
Balances with other Banks	1,21,303 4 0	96,625 2 0
Sundries	16, 97 1 2	16,911 8 0
Bullion	8,49,277 9 6	8,50,061 1 2
Cash at Head Office	4,94,73,349 2 7	1,29,50,850 3 0
Do. at Branches	3 68,73,248 1 8	5,28 91,155 12 9
Rs.	8,37,25,507 4 3	8,01,22,215 13 9

THE COTTON CROPS.

THE Manager of the Mofussil Company, Limited, furnishes us with the following information from the Cotton Districts regarding the weather and the crops :—

Broach, 5th March.—The rate during the week advanced Rs. 6, and on this figure not many sellers were in the market. The highest point touched was Rs. 238, and a further advance was looked for by both dealers and ryots, which buyers could not meet; but I am glad to add the market is now quieter, and rates easier at Rs. 236 to Rs. 237 F. P. B. Despatches for the week, 5,100 F. P. and about 100 H. P. bales.

Surat, 5th.—All the gins are now fully employed. The quality is very good, surpassing that of last year.

Hingunghaut, 4th.—Since last report about 700 bales have been brought to this market.

The quality, I am glad to say, is getting much better. The weather keeps fine, and the hot season has now fairly begun.

Wardha, 4th.—During the past week some 600 bales have arrived here, and I am glad to report a decided improvement in the quality. The weather continues fine, but the days are getting very hot

Oomrawuttee, 4th.—During the week the weather has been fine. It is now daily getting hotter. Supplies continue to come in freely and have averaged during the week 800 bales a day. About half of the crop is now supposed to have been received

Shegaum, 4th.—Our weather has become very warm and the hot winds have commenced The arrivals for the week have exceeded 5,000 bojas, a great portion of which consisted of low "Bonne" qualities. The receipts to date have amounted to 35,000 bojas.

Khamgaum, 4th.—The supplies to this market are gradually getting smaller, and the quality is very mixed. The season is not expected to last beyond the 15th of April. The weather during the past week has been hot and cloudy.—

Jalgaum, 4th.—Our market during the past week has been very excited, and prices have ruled fully Rs. 5 per candy above Bombay limits. The Cotton at present coming in, I am sorry to say, shows a considerable falling off both in quality and quantity, which clearly indicates that the season is fast drawing to a close. Any really good Cotton commands very extreme rates. The clouds mentioned in my last soon cleared off, and we have had fine but extremely hot weather ever since.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE BRIG KHEDATA ROODBIN, 154 tons, Nacoda, sailed yesterday for Colombo via Cochin with a general cargo.

THE SHIP SIR. ELMO, 1,428 tons, Captain W. C. Morrell, arrived in harbour on the 6th instant from Liverpool (October 17th) with a cargo of 2,370 tons coals The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Lawrence and Co.

THE S. S. PEARL, 366 tons, Captain C. Doart, sailed on the 6th instant for Coast and Carwar, with a general cargo and the following passengers :—For Vingorla—Captain Hemans, and twenty deck passengers for different ports.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. PATNA, 1,132 tons, Captain W. Stewart, sailed on Saturday last for Coast and Calcutta with a general cargo and the following passengers :—For Carwar—Mr. G. Macpherson and servant. For—Alleppily. A lady and two children. For different ports—Nine deck passengers.

THE P. AND O. Co.'s S. S. CURNA, 1,626 tons, Captain G. S. Brock, sailed on Saturday last for Australia, &c., with Australian Mail, general cargo and the following passengers :—For Melbourne—Mr. W. Bell, Mr. E. W. Parsons, Mr. C. G. Baldock, Col. Crow, Mrs. Crow, and two children and Nurse, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Dunbal, Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan, Miss. Robertson, Mr. T. Anderson, and Mr. K. Stratford.

ARRIVAL.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
6	St. Elmo	Morrell	Liverpool, Oct. 17.

DEPARTURES.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
6	Albatross	Bryson	Moulmein.
	Janet Court.....	Crawford	Havre.
	Excelsior	Joslin	Rangoon.
	Pearl.. (s)	Doart.....	Coast & Carwar.
	China (s)	Brook	Australia &c.
	Patna (s)	Stewart.....	Coast & Calcutta.
7	Keenata Roodrin ...	Nacoda	Colombo & Cochin.

The Ship Rialto, to Havre, was entered out for loading on Saturday last :—

DAILY EXPORTS.—MARCH 6.—

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Royal Alexandria, 250 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co.

Diamond, s., 38 bales wool, Jeitha Veerji.

Propontis, s, 15 bales cotton, Killick, Nixon & Co ; 20 bales wool, Gungaram Hurruckchund ; 94 bales cotton, Peel, Gosselin & Co ; 367 cwts hemp, Nusserwanjee Khutsow ; 6 bales cotton, Nanjee Morarjee.

FOR LONDON.

Parmore, s, 27 cwts sandalwood & 16 cwts deer horn, Dawoodbhoy Hassum ; 50 cwts sandalwood, Vinay & Co ; 200 cwt myrabolams, Ralli Brothers ; 840 cwts hemp, Mathooradass Nuthoo ; 28½ cwts mother of pearl shells, Morcally Nuthoo ; 121 cwts coffee & 33 cwts tamarind, Mooljee Govindjee ; 37 cwts rape seed, Knoop & Co.

Indus, s., 100 bags coffee ; 4 cases cardamoms & 770 packages ginger, P & O Co ; 3 cases shawls, Pylladas Moosallah ; 270 cwts rape seed, 571 cwts linseed, & 503 cwts poppy seed, Ewart, Latham & Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Calipso, s, 100 bales cotton, Knoop & Co ; 200 bales cotton, A Kunkler & Co.

FOR FALMOUTH.

Ferdinand, 403 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co.

FOR MALTA.

Propontis, s, 200 bags wheat and 600 bags gram, Finlay, Scott & Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Peora, s, 4½ cwts fishmaws, Marcelly Damma ; 20 chests opium, Hajee Abdoola Noor Mahomed ; 19 chests opium, Bagh Lungda ; 27½ cwts hyasbole, Goolam Hossein Jon Mahomed ; 19 chests opium, Tarachund Luckmiranan.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Peora, s, 31 chests opium, Framjee Hormusjee & Co ; 61 chests opium, Choonirum Jussey.

HIGH COURT.—8TH MARCH.

LONG CAUSES.

305-74—Rimington, Hore and Langley—Jaitha Bhima and others v Chintoba Purshotum—Macfarlane and Skipsey—Part heard.

376-74—Jefferson and Payne—Natha Oka and others v Chintoba Purshotum—Macfarlane and Skipsey.

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592-73—G J Mody—Giridhur Roopjee v Henry Gamble, Official Assignee of Amandrao Damodhur—M H Khan.

104-74—Shapoorjee and Thacurdas—Thacker Purshotum Parpia v Bai Manockbai widow—K Moorjee.

114-74—Shapoorjee and Thacurdas—Dorabjee Hormusjee Bottliewalla v ur etjee Hormusjee Bottliewalla—Hearn, Cleveland and L.

118-74—Mr. Fletcher—Mariam Bebee widow v Ameena Bebee widow.

[Before the Honorable Mr. JUSTICE BAYLEY.]

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86-74—Shamrao Panchurung—Su uwatibai widow v Crustnarao Bhawoo and others V Harychund—Jefferson and Payne Part heard.

(Before the Honorable Mr. JUSTICE GREEN.)

Extraordinary Jurisdiction.

From Ahmedabad Court.

1616-73—Rimington, Hore and Langley—Chellabhoy Jaisingbhai v The Bombay Baroda, and Central India Railway Company—Prescot and Winter.

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2614-73—Rimington, Hore and Langley—Dhuneswar Mahashanker v The Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway Company—Prescot and Winter.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—MARCH 3.

McConaghy, Surg, Bl 29th P N I, on privilege leave from Peshawar.

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McConaghy, Surg, Py 26th N I, on leave from Surat.

DEPARTURES.—MARCH 6.

Vander Gucht, Lt, Bl Staff Corps, on furlough to Allahabad.

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Hemans, Major, Bl 40th Regt on duty to Belgaum.

Shipley, Major, Bl 40th Regt, to join to Lucknow.

MARCH 7.

Chesshyre, Lt Col, By 6th N I, on leave to Belgaum.

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters.
Poona, 6th March 1875.

Surg W Johnson is placed on general duty, presidency circle, and will accompany the R/4 R A proceeding to Dunas.

With reference to GOC, No. 126 of 1875, Surg Major K J Fast is placed on gun-rel duty, presidency circle, from the 10th Jan 1875.

The undermentioned officers have leave of absence :—

66th Foot—Lt W H McMath, to the sea coast, from 2nd to 20th March 1875, on medical certificate.

Royal Artillery—Capt F C Nicolas, Adjt (9th Bdge), to Mahableshwar, from 3rd March to the 3rd June 1875, on private affairs.

Royal Horse Artillery—Riding Master G Haddock, (A Bdge) to England per troopship from the date of departure, to appear before a medical board.

Army Medical Department—Surg W Geoghegan, M B, to remain in England from 1st Feb to 30th April 1875, on medical certificate in extension.

3rd Hussars—Lt H P Berkely (Adjt), to Nynee Tal, from 15th March to 14th Sept 1875, on private affairs.

Lt-Col J Gordon, Staff Corps, is placed on general duty, Rajcote.

BENGAL GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Calcutta Gazette*, March 3.)

Mr C B Clarke, who was, under orders of the 20th Feby 1875, appointed to act as a Prof r in the Presy College in addition to his duties as Actg Inspr of Schools, Presy Circle, will resume charge of his duties as Actg Inspr of Schools, Presy Circle.

The undermentioned Officer of the I S S C having completed twelve years' service in the rank of Lt-Col, is admitted to the Colonel's allowance, with effect from the date specified, under the operation of G G O No 808 of 1826, paragraph 61, clause 5 :—

Lt-Col (Bt Col) John Colpoys Haughton, C S I, 15th Feb 1875.

H E the Govr-Genl in Council is pleased to make the following appointments in the Medl Dept :—

Surgn Maj J Browne, M D, of the Medl Dept, in medical charge 41st (the Gwalior) Regt of N I, to officiate as Secy to the Surgn Genl, Indian M S Service, in consequence on Surgn Maj F McKellar, M D, proceeding on furlough, and during the period Surgn K Macleod, M D, may be employed under the orders of the Govt of Bengal or until further orders.

The services of Lt J F Rivett-Carnac of the 31 S C, 2nd Wing Subo of the 33rd (Punjab) Regt of N I, are placed at the disposal of the Govt of Bengal.

NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES ORDERS.

North-Western Provinces Gazette, March 6.

Mr C C Hicks, District Supt of Police, Fatehpur, furlough to Europe for one year, with effect from the 16th of April, 1875, together with the usual subsidiary leave.

Mr H B Hicks-ta, C S., Collector, Allahabad, furlough from 15th March to 30th Nov 1875, together with the usual subsidiary leave.

Mr D T Robert-, Asst Mag and Colr, Budaun, privilege leave for two months and twenty-three days, with effect from the 15th April, 1875.

Mr C Robertson, Offg Mag and Colr, Mirzapur, furlough to Europe for eight months, with effect from the 5th April, 1875, together with the usual subsidiary leave.

Col J Davidson, Depy Commr, Jhansi, twenty days' privilege leave, with effect from the 28th Febry, 1875.

JUDICIAL (CRIMINAL) DEPARTMENT.

Supg A H Williams, Offg Civil Surgn, Dehra Dun, to be Supt of the Jail at that station, with effect from the 18th Jany last.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Lieut G W Anson, Extra Asst Comr, 1st class (Jhansi Commission), to be Private Secretary and Aide-de-Camp to his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, North-Western Provinces, with effect from the 25th February, 1875.

Mr F J White, Asst Comr, Jalaun, to officiate as Depy Comr, Jhansi during the absence on privilege leave of Col J Davidson, or until further orders.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

With reference to Govt Notifications Nos. 1141 E, dated the 6th Dec 1873, and 1144 E of the 15th December last, Mr W H Longmore, Asst Engr, 1st grade, returned on the 27th ultimo from the leave of absence medical certificate granted him, and is posted to the Banda Sub-division of the Allahabad Provincial Div as a temporary arrangement.

Three months' privilege leave is granted to Mr R C Battie Asst Engr, 1st grade, attached to the Banda Sub-division, from the 1st April next, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of the same.

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POSTAL NOTICES.

DEPARTURE OF OCEAN MAILS.

	Date.	Mail: closes.	After packet
United Kingdom	Mar. 8 ...	6-30 P.M. ...	7 P.M.
Kurrachee	" 15 ...	11 A.M. ...	12 A.M.
Persian Gulf via Kurrachee..	" 20 ...	11 A.M. ...	12 A.M.
Australian	Mar. 6 ...	3-30 P.M.	No after packet.
Mauritius and Reunion.....	Mar. 9 ...	3-30 P.M. ...	4 P.M.
Zanzibar, &c.	Mar. 15 ...	6-30 P.M. ...	7 P.M.
	" 15 ...	6-30 P.M. ...	7 P.M.

OVERLAND MAIL.

In supersession of this Office Notice of the 9th May last, it is notified that as the Overland Mail Steamers of the P. & O. S. N. Company will leave Bombay every Monday soon after 7 P.M., the following revised arrangements in the hours for closing Mails will come into operation :—

Letters will be received at the General Post Office up to 5-30 P.M.

Newspapers, Books, and Patterns, up to 5 P.M.

Registered Letters up to 2 P.M.

Registered Letters if fully prepaid together with an extra fee of 2 annas, will be received at the General Post Office between 2 and 4 P.M.

Late letters, if fully prepaid by means of stamps in respect both of postage and of late letter fee (4 annas each), will be received at the Wellington Pier Post Office from 5-30 to 6-30 P.M.

The latest hour for posting Overland covers at the several Branch Post Offices will be 2-30 P.M.

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	7 P.M.		7 P.M.
Monday	Mar. 8	Monday.....	Mar 22
"	Mar. 15	"	Mar 29

The postage chargeable on letters sent to the countries mentioned below *through Trieste* is as follows :—

	Present Rates per ½ oz.	Revised Rate per ½ oz.
	Annas Pies.	Annas Pie.
Austria, Luxemburg German States, Austrian Post Offices in Turkey ...	8 8	8 0
Belgium, Denmark, Netherlands, Switzerland, Moldavia, Wallachia, Servia.....	9 4	9 0

POSTAGE BY THE BRINDISI ROUTE.

The Postage rates chargeable on Correspondence forwarded "via Brindisi," to the United Kingdom, or places served through the United Kingdom, are as follows :—

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES, THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

MARRIAGE.

ALEXANDER—DURAND—March 1st, at Christ Church, Bhanjipoon, by the Rev. H. Haden, Harry Wallis Alexander, B.C.S., to Amy, 8th daughter, and at the same time and place Henry Mortimer Durand, B.C.S., to Ella Rebe, 6th daughter of Teignmouth Sandys, late B.C.S.

DEATHS.

CORBETT—March 2nd, at Jhansi, of heart disease, Lieutenant-Colonel A. F. Corbett, Bengal Staff Corps (District Superintendent of Police), aged 47.

POWELL—February 28th, at Madras, Mrs. Antonia Powell, relict of the late Mr. B. Powell, and the only surviving sister of Mr. Alex. Rodrigues, aged 64 years, 11 months and 14 days, deeply regretted by her relatives and friends. May her soul rest in peace.

All MONEY ORDERS, CHEQUES, and other Remittances sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

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MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1875.

THE startling rumour that orders have been received at Calcutta to hold regiments in immediate readiness for active service in a great war has excited throughout India, among military men tired of a long peace and yearning for the excitement, the glory, and the rapid promotion of war, hopes which, we fear, are not destined to be realized. The rumour can hardly have reference to preparations the Government is making to avenge the insult offered to the British flag by the Chinese Governor of Momein in the province of Yunnan, who seems to have treacherously sent out a force to attack the British exploring party which, secured, as it supposed, by Chinese passports, was proceeding from Bhamo to Momein. When we bear in mind how recently the province of Yunnan was the theatre of a sanguinary civil war, and how eager some of the most distinguished members of the Council of India were to display their sympathy with the ambassadors whom the Panthays sent to England two years ago

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS FOR THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

THE RUMOUR OF A POSSIBLE WAR ON A LARGE SCALE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, 7TH MARCH.

The *Englishman's* rumour of war is entirely incorrect.

THE LEVEE AT DELHI.

CALCUTTA, 6TH MARCH.

The Viceroy's levee at Delhi takes place on the 17th instant. It is proposed to pass the Madras Salt, High Courts Procedure, Probates, Ports and Port Dues Bills in next Tuesday's Legislative Council.

[REUTER'S INDIAN TELEGRAMS.]

A RUMOUR OF WAR.

CALCUTTA, 6TH FEB.

The *Englishman* publishes a rumour that orders have been received from England to hold regiments in India in immediate readiness for active service. The *Englishman* supposes the possibility of war on a large scale not in India or in Europe.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

CHURCH AND STATE IN GERMANY.

LONDON, 6TH MARCH.

A Governmental Bill in the Prussian Parliament withdraws State endowments from the Catholic clergy. These endowments will be restored wherever the supremacy of the State is acknowledged.

The exportation of horses from Germany is prohibited.

The Liberals have gained a seat at the Norwich election.

The appointment of Mr. Richard Garth, Q. C. to the Chief Justiceship of Bengal has been gazetted.

The Bishop Manning has been summoned to Rome to receive Cardinal's hat.

OBITUARY.—John Timbs.

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.

PARIS, 6TH MARCH.

M. Buffet is reported to encounter great difficulties in his efforts to form a Cabinet.

M. Bodet has announced a deficit in the budget of 100 millions of francs.

THE INCOMING MAILS.

ADEN, 6TH MARCH.

The s.s. Teheran with outward Indian mails left here for Bombay half an hour after noon on the 4th inst.

The s. s. Baroda left for Galle and Calcutta at ten o'clock this morning.

A correction has been received from the Government Telegraph Office that the number of lives lost in the s. s. Gothenburg should have been given as 116 not 316.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON REPORT.

LONDON, 5TH MARCH, NOON.

Total Week's Sales of Cotton	86,000	bales.
" " Surats.....	24,000	"
" Imports of Cotton.....	43,000	"
" " Surats.....	6 000	"
Stock of Cotton.....	680 000	"
" " Surats.....	137,000	"
Stock of Cotton in London	120,560	"

During the week there has been a fair amount of business done in Surats.

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THE practice having become common amongst the natives in Bengal as well as in the North West to steal the pins and spikes which form part of the lines of railway, Sir Richard Temple has issued instructions to the Magistrates to inflict more than one month's imprisonment on conviction, remarking very truly that "the gravity of the offence consists not in the value of the property stolen."

NOT long ago a report went the round of the papers that an enquiry would be made, with the sanction of Government, into the legitimacy of the heir to the Rajah of Kapurthala. The Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, it is now stated, has tested the value of the representation made by the brother of the present Rajah, and has expressed himself fully satisfied with the legitimacy of the heir and no further enquiry will now be made.

TWENTY lakhs of rupees were despatched from Allahabad to the Bombay treasury, by passenger train, on Tuesday last, under a guard of fifteen policemen. The Currency Department have since learnt by telegram of the safe arrival of the guard without their charge. The treasure seems to have been left behind at the Bhosawal junction, where, as the convoy state, they were hustled into their carriages under protest. It will, no doubt, turn up eventually in spite of its guardians.

TENDERS are once more invited for the purchase and working of the Calcutta tramways on certain conditions. The conditions are such as we should imagine, indignantly writes the *Indian Daily News*, will never be acceded to by any one out of Bedlam; and it is difficult to conceive such conditions being suggested from any other source. If they have been specially designed to warn off sensible and capable parties from undertaking the work, the probability is that the object will be attained.

THE AGRA paper has published another batch of Cabulgossip. The following portion is probably correct:—Sirdar Mohamed Zaman Khan, son of Wazir Nizamooddowla Khan, died a few days ago. The Amir paid all the funeral and other expenses and went to read the Fataha himself. Her Highness, the mother of Sirdar Ubdoolla Jan, and other ladies of the family, also went to the deceased's house as customary to mourn. The Amir has desired Her Highness to expend as much money in the funeral ceremonies as she likes.

NEWS Report from Aden from the 18th to the 25th February, states that information has been received that the Aden Madhis from Amrad made an attack, a few days ago, on the Yoosuf tribe at Kurrum, eight of the latter were killed and two of the former, the wounded of the Aden Madoba, who returned to Amterad, were taken to Berbera for treatment by Mekill of Pasha in the Egyptian Jyatch Munsoora. The French Corvette D'Estries is now in port, homeward bound from Saigon. H. M. S. Vulture sailed on the 24th February for a cruise in the Gulf of Aden.

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IT has recently been decided by the Government of India, that the cost of maintaining the small steamers, brought out from England during the famine for transport purposes, hitherto debited as a famine charge in the public accounts, should be borne by the respective departments by whom the said vessels are now used, retrospectively from November last.

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NOT long ago a report went the round of the papers that an enquiry would be made, with the sanction of Government, into the legitimacy of the heir to the Rajah of Kapurthala. The Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, it is now stated, has tested the value of the representation made by the brother of the present Rajah, and has expressed himself fully satisfied with the legitimacy of the heir and no further enquiry will now be made.

TWENTY lakhs of rupees were despatched from Allahabad to the Bombay treasury, by passenger train, on Tuesday last, under a guard of fifteen policemen. The Currency Department have since learnt by telegram of the safe arrival of the guard without their charge. The treasure seems to have been left behind at the Bhosawal junction, where, as the convoy state, they were hustled into their carriages under protest. It will, no doubt, turn up eventually in spite of its guardians.

TENDERS are once more invited for the purchase and working of the Calcutta tramways on certain conditions. The conditions are such as we should imagine, indignantly writes the *Indian Daily News*, will never be acceded to by any one out of Bedlam; and it is difficult to conceive such conditions being suggested from any other source. If they have been specially designed to warn off sensible and capable parties from undertaking the work, the probability is that the object will be attained.

THE AGRA paper has published another batch of Cabulgossip. The following portion is probably correct:—Sirdar Mohamed Zaman Khan, son of Wazir Nizamooddowla Khan, died a few days ago. The Amir paid all the funeral and other expenses and went to read the Fataha himself. Her Highness, the mother of Sirdar Ubdoolla Jan, and other ladies of the family, also went to the deceased's house as customary to mourn. The Amir has desired Her Highness to expend as much money in the funeral ceremonies as she likes.

NEWS Report from Aden from the 18th to the 25th February, states that information has been received that the Aden Madhis from Amrad made an attack, a few days ago, on the Yoosuf tribe at Kurrum, eight of the latter were killed and two of the former, the wounded of the Aden Madoba, who returned to Amterad, were taken to Berbera for treatment by Mekill of Pasha in the Egyptian Jyatch Munsoora. The French Corvette D'Estries is now in port, homeward bound from Saigon. H. M. S. Vulture sailed on the 24th February for a cruise in the Gulf of Aden.

THE Calcutta Committee appointed to revise the Customs Tariff have closed their labours, and the Commissioner of Customs Bombay who was one of the members of the Committee left Calcutta on Wednesday last for Bombay. The report of the Committee will probably be submitted to Government early next week. The head appraiser of the Bombay Custom House, who accompanied the Commissioner will, it is said, remain in Calcutta for a few days more with a view, it is supposed, to collect the statistical returns of the Calcutta Custom House, and other information connected with it.

THE "Lady Canning Memorial Home," at Calcutta, is approaching completion. This building planned shortly after Lady Canning's death, for the purpose of training nurses for hospital and private service, had long been delayed for want of funds; but liberal subscriptions from the Viceroy, the Commander in Chief, the present Lieutenant-Governor and his predecessor, the Bishop of Calcutta, and the Maharajahs of Vizianagram and Burdwan, together with a subsidy from the Government of Bengal, helped it forward eventually. Two Lady Superintendents, one from the Middlesex, and the other from King's College, Hospital, have already arrived.

REFERRING to the approaching Durbar at Delhi, a correspondent to a contemporary writes that—"People who are comfortably housed are letting their tenements over their own heads with a reckless disregard for consequences, and there is not a house to be had 'for love or money.' Some people have to let their domiciles for a third night, receiving as much as will defray a year's rental. Others even more, some a little less, but what is to become of these houseless wanderers when the time comes, nobody seems to know. I have not yet seen any signs of the camp beyond the marking out of the ground, but it will, of necessity, be immense; and will require a pretty considerable amount of sanitary experience in its formation. I believe this will be entrusted to Dr. Adam Taylor, our civil surgeon. The police arrangements are in the hands of Captain Ewart, District Superintendent of Police, and will doubtless be well done."

THE Lahore paper publishes the following items of frontier intelligence:—Our Bokhara correspondent learns that the Tekkas, Yamouths, Turkomans, &c., &c., mustered together 5,000 strong and made a sudden attack on the Russian Encampments of Khiva, killing many and plundering some of their property. A report has been made to the Governor of Tashkend. The same correspondent learns that the Raeees and others of Urgunj and Khiva have instructed the Turkomans to make friendly overtures through the Amir of Cabul with the British Government that they may in time expel the Russians from their country. The Russians intend, our Bokhara correspondent tells us, to imprison the Valee of Urgunj, as they believe he instigated the Turkomans and others to make these attacks on them. A merchant was recently caught selling European merchandize in Russian territory, and as the prohibition of the same was notified by the Russians, they have confiscated it.

THE Jubbulpore paper says that two soldiers of the detachment of H. M.'s 44th Regiment stationed at Nagpore went out the other night for what they termed a "spree," and took their guns with them in order, at the same time, to have some shooting. They managed one part of their mission all night by getting drunk; but in the other they did not succeed as well, for somehow or other, they got into the native city, and contrived only to shoot a dog. Considering the efficiency of the city police, it is not to be wondered at that the natives felt disposed to resent the murder of one of their "canine guardians of the night," and accordingly surrounded the erring soldiers, bent on chastising them. The latter not relishing the idea of being thus ignominiously thrashed, discharged their pieces among the crowd severely injuring two or three people, and wounding—it is supposed—mortally an unfortunate woman. They were at once arrested, and are now in custody awaiting their trial.

IT is difficult to say what the condition of the Dutch at Achin is at the present moment. From the account below they would seem to be suffering considerably:—The *Java Bode* of the 19th ultimo brings very discouraging intelligence as to the position of the Dutch troops in Achin. An inundation of the Achin river had caused great damage in the Dutch camp; several officers and men lost their baggage, and the water had flooded the hospitals, which contain from 700 to 800 sick and wounded, so that the patients were only saved with great difficulty. Some of the provisions were destroyed, and inundation, which lasted from the 4th to the 9th ultimo, left behind it a fetid mud, which caused great anxiety for the health of the troops. Soon after reinforcements, consisting of two battalions of infantry, and a battery of field artillery, arrived at the station; and, as no preparations had been made for their reception, they were obliged to camp out in the open air on the muddy soil. Huts made of wood and bamboo had been ordered in Batavia, but had not yet been sent to Achin. The Commander-in-Chief, Colonel Pel, was suffering from fever, and Lieutenant-Colonel Wiegand had consequently been appointed to act for him. The *Bode* adds that many men of bad character are among the troops sent to Achin; that a country where there is so little military spirit as in Holland should not enter upon a war which costs some 1,400 men a year, and that under such circumstances a policy of conquest and annexation is clearly out of place.

THE *Englishman* publishes the following particulars of the attack on the Expedition to Yunan:—Colonel Browne and his party set out from Bhamo, about the middle of last month, under what appeared to be the fairest auspices. The Government of India had been careful to obtain passports from the Imperial Government, who had also written mandates to the Provincial Governors to ensure the favourable reception of the expedition. Mr. Margary, a Consular Officer of the Chinese Legation, and Interpreter to the Mission, had traversed China from Shanghai, had been everywhere received with marked courtesy and attention, especially by Leesee Tabee, an Imperialist General and the Chief Official of the town of Nangtin. Colonel Browne selected the upper of the three routes from Bhamo to Yunan, which is well travelled, but had not reached Manwein when his party was attacked by a body of Chinese and hillmen, led by the nephew of Leesee Tabee, and said to have been the vanguard of an army of 3,000 men despatched by the Chinese Governor of Momein to annihilate the British officers. Colonel Browne and his officers, after some fighting, made good their retreat to Teitkaw, a place within the Burmese Shan States; but we regret to add that Mr. Margary, who appears to have preceded the party to Manwein, has been treacherously murdered by the Chinese. Mr. Neville Rose, the well known traveller, was making his way along the lower or Sawaddy route. He has been re-called, and we trust soon to hear of his safety. From the imperfect information before us, it is impossible to assign any intelligible reason for the attack on the party.

IMPROVEMENTS in the construction of railway carriages are always welcome. A luxurious carriage has, we read in the *Madras Mail*, been constructed for the Madras Railway Company, the description of which follows:—The Madras Railway Company has recently built, on their line, for use in mail trains, four double saloon first class carriages—and are, we believe, the best of the kind in India. Until these were made available, first class passengers had no alternative but to travel in vehicles divided into the usual compartments, each compartment being designed for the accommodation at night time of four passengers, for each of whom a sofa, or bench, was provided. But the new carriage, instead of being made up of three compartments for twelve passengers, is divided into two compartments with accessories for eight passengers. The new carriage is entered by a small central gangway, or corridor, with a door at each end, and on the right and left hand is a door communicating with a compartment. Entering one of the two compartments, the passenger finds himself in an 8 feet square room provided at each corner with a comfortable cushioned seat. At night time two of these seats are capable of being made with the aid of cushions provided for the purpose, and a stool that can be drawn from under each permanent cushion, into a comfortable bed. Two cushioned beds that are suspended close to the roof, during the day, can also be let down, and form two upper berths. There are six lower large, and twelve upper small windows in each compartment, the former being furnished with venetians and glass, and the latter with glass only. There are deep shades to the sash, screens and Venetian fringe before the windows. Further, at each central window, there is an ingeniously contrived shelf which, when lifted up, forms a comfortable table between each pair of seats. Beyond each compartment is a small lavatory, with every convenience, and a bath room, furnished with a shower bath, the water for which is supplied by a tank at the top of the carriage. The carriages now in use were built at the Railway Workshops at Perambore, of Burmah teak, and four more are in course of construction. They are said to cost about Rs. 6,000 each.

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AMERICAN GLASS-BLOWERS.

It will be seen in their advertisement in to-day's issue that, the American Glass-Blowers will continue their exhibition for four nights longer. In compliance with the suggestion of our correspondent the afternoon of Thursday next is set apart as well as Saturday afternoon. The crowds that attend have induced the manager to have a separate entrance for ladies. A large number of people could not obtain admittance on Saturday night last and had to be sent away. This exhibition or entertainment, is one of the most successful that has visited Bombay for some time past. The prices are very reasonable, and that, combined with the interest excited, has contributed to the success Mr. Woodroffe has met with.

BOMBAY TRACT AND BOOK SOCIETY.

THE annual general meeting of the friends and supporters of the Bombay Tract and Book Society was held on Friday evening last at the Free Church, Esplanade. The Rev. Geo. Bowen was in the chair. There was a fair attendance of ladies and gentlemen. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Henry Conder, after which the Secretary, the Rev. C. W. Park, read the report of the committee for the past year, which showed that the Society has done much good work in the past and hopes to achieve more in the next year. Mr. Park also went through what he called the "budget estimate" for the next year, showing the demand which would have to be made upon the generosity of Christian friends. The total receipts were estimated at Rs. 21,360, including expected donations to the amount of Rs. 2,000.

The Rev. J. G. Deimler moved "That the report, of which an abstract has now been read, be adopted as the report of the Society for 1874, and printed and circulated under the direction of the committee." He said the report was simple, striking, telling, and best suited to commend the object of the Society to the support of Christian friends. The account it gave was most cheering, and he hoped this was but the commencement of a vigorous progress in the future; and that the progress would be marked, not only in the English, but in the vernacular department as well. He exhorted the Christian friends of the Society to remember it in their prayers more than they had ever done.

The Rev. J. Urquhart, in seconding the motion, made an eloquent appeal on behalf of the Society. He needed not to characterise the report nor the work of which it was the record.

The proposition was put to the vote and carried unanimously.

Dr. Murdoch, Secretary Christian Vernacular Education Society, recently arrived from [illegible], also addressed the meeting, noticing the [illegible] which had directly resulted through the Bombay [illegible] and Book Society in other parts of India, [illegible] of the energy of the present Secretary, the Rev. [illegible] Park, in very flattering terms.

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A WEDDING AT MADRAS.

(FROM THE *Pioneer's* CORRESPONDENT.)

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I AM told by one who is the best possible authority in such matters, that there was never seen such a large assembly at any wedding in St. George's Cathedral as there was this afternoon to witness the marriage of Miss Sim, daughter of the Hon'ble J. D. Sim, to Mr. Arundel of the Civil Service. It was a sight well worth seeing, and an extremely pretty wedding. The choir commenced singing the matrimonial hymn, "A three-fold cord is not easily broken," as they slowly walked to the chancel followed by the officiating clergy, the Ven'ble Archdeacon Glorton, and the Rev. Dr. Strachan. Next came the bride leaning on her father's arm, and the six brides-maids, all of whom held baskets with rose-leaves to be strewn in the path of the happy pair on their return from the altar. The bride, who appeared and conducted herself just as a bride should, was very beautifully dressed—brilliant white satin, Brussels-lace, tulle veil, orange wreath, &c. The brides maids, Misses Robinson, Lodwick, Howlett, Balfour, Silver, and Morpheth, wore white muslin dresses, pale seagreen sashes, apple blossom wreaths, and long white tulle veils. During the service there was a commotion outside the cathedral caused by a horse endeavouring to bolt. The animal in question upset the palanquin coach to which he was attached, and in the course of a minute had stripped himself of every vestige of harness. Numbers of people owning restive horses of course fancied it was their turn-out which had come to grief, and many were the anxious glances cast in the direction of the crash. After the ceremony most of the company proceeded to the handsome residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sim; there were 300 people present; consequently, from the time the entrance gates were reached to the moment one alighted at the door, progress was of the slowest. Outside the house the Governor's Band was in attendance, and inside, spite of numbers, there was no crush; the house being a particularly fine one and the arrangements simply perfect. There were any amount of refreshments, a pretty bride cake, &c., to be partaken of, and then came a few speeches. The Hon'ble W. Robinson spoke with great feeling; he was frequently interrupted by cheers and "Hear, Hear"—every word he uttered finding a ready response in all hearts. He spoke of the love and deep respect felt for the parents of the bride, of their long residence here and proposed a toast to their future, of the sterling good qualities so well known to all of us, and he said how warmly their daughter was loved for their sakes, but that for her own she was still more so as she had been proved and found to be so good and useful. He said how glad he was that on Mr. and Mrs. Sim quitting India they would leave their child among us, and how tenderly her future would be watched over by her parents' friends. Captain Aylmer's (A. D. C. to Lord Hobart) speech, returning thanks for the bridesmaids, was very amusing; he could not be heard for the peals of laughter which followed his words, although he did say "words are of no importance whatever on an occasion like this." The bride and bridegroom left for Ennore about 6-30 o'clock. The company shortly afterwards [illegible] who would not agree that this was one of the least ceremonious and most pleasant weddings they had ever attended. The Hon'ble Goday Narrain Gajaputti Raoo is going to give a large farewell dinner on Monday next to Mr. and Mrs. Sim, who take final leave of Madras about the middle of March. Archdeacon Gorman leaves for England to-morrow. The Bishop returned last night, and Brigadier-General Rokes this morning.

EXTRAORDINARY FRAUDS.

A series of frauds, alleged to have been perpetrated by two individuals, a man and an East Indian female, have been discovered, and the description. They remind one of the successful fraud committed by certain Yankees not long ago, who by means of forged cheques obtained large sums of money from the Bank of England. A European and a female, who are supposed to be Australian birds, are in the custody of the Calcutta Police, charged with defrauding no less than nine tradespeople in Calcutta. The name of the man reminds one of the anecdote of the inn-keeper in Germany, who was roused

HERAT.

(Daily Telegraph.)

A Bombay telegram announces that the troops of the Ameer Shere Ali occupied Herat on the 19th of January last. This is an incident which sheds light on the detention of Yakoob Khan in Cabul, and will greatly interest, moreover, some of the diplomatists at St. Petersburg. We venture to think that the British public would not waste its time if it devoted some pains to understanding the recent course of affairs in Afghanistan, so far as anything can really be known of the dark intrigues which make up State policy in that far-off and restless realm. Herat was in the hands of Yakoob Khan, the eldest and bravest son of Shere Ali, until the time when—protected, it is said, by the most solemn oaths upon the Koran—he went to his father's palace, and found that he had walked into prison. Whether the Ameer put the prince into confinement out of a longlaid plan, or whether the mother of the boy whom Shere Ali has nominated for his heir suddenly persuaded him to do so, is disputed. The bazaar newsmen declare that she cited a Persian verse which runs "Kill the snake when his head is under your heel," and flung herself at the Ameer's feet, protesting that the life of her child depended upon the death of Yakoob. At all events, the father's hospitality to the son was shown by thus casting him—not without great concern at Calcutta, which still continues; for if Yakoob should be put to death it would be in spite of the earnest protest of the British Government. But Herat, meanwhile, was the real anxiety with the Afghan ruler, for Yakoob was said to have left fierce adherents there who would rather open its gates to Persia or to Russia than leave their young lord deserted or unrevenged. We see now that, either by force or paternal suasion or skilful management, Shere Ali has laid hold of this all-important frontier town, and perhaps the "young lion," as the Affghans call the Khan, will be set at liberty, now that his den is safely seized. This is by no means certain, however, for the Prince is a power among the wild chiefs of the North and West, and nothing in his past career leads us to believe that he would ever forgive, even to his sire, the breach of faith which has deprived him of his liberty, and of the city where he reigned, nominally a vassal, practically a King. But the lesson which the British public might not unprofitably learn from these ugly quarrels in Afghanistan is that, whatever English statesmen may do, Affghans and Easterns generally—as well as Persians and Russians—study and appreciate the immense interests which depend upon the "back-gate of India." It has become clear that, for the sake of Herat chiefly, the Ameer of Cabul has broken his oath, and made the feud between his eldest son and himself irreconcilable. The acts of Shere Ali may be odious, but his policy is intelligent enough, and if he could send proofs to Calcutta that his son had been intriguing with the agents of the Shah or the Czar upon the subject of the possession of Heart, it would be an explanation of his severity, if not a justification, of the treachery which has been adopted against the Prince to whose valour the Ameer mainly owes his throne.

But where and what is Herat, topographical persons may ask, that anybody here should care what soldier goes in or out of that outlandish place? We reply that it is an extremely interesting as well as horribly dirty town, which, for reasons of ancient history, might very well deserve more notice than it ever receives. Herat is the *Aria Civitas* of Alexander the Great, the chief city of that old province of Aria which has bequeathed its name to the leading races of the Eastern and Western world, and was once, perhaps, the metropolis of the Aryan civilisation. There are magnificent ruins outside it of high antiquity—besides the great mound of Nadir Shah and other monuments—which go to prove that it had been already a splendid metropolis when repaired by the Macedonian conqueror. But Herat, inside its moat, is now as grimy and unhealthy a town as can well be seen, although it does a very considerable business in carpets and sheepskins, caps and shoes, saddles, daggers and saffron. Its position is important enough to make anything happening there important. Not only does Herat stand in the one and only opening of the Paropamisus or Ghor mountains through which artillery and cavalry could pass to India, but it is situated in a plain of such fertility and mineral resources, that an army once lodged there might maintain itself and make it a sure base of advance. We have called it the "back gate of India," and such it is if Affghanistan be looked upon as the suburbs. All the great roads leading to the Punjab converge upon Herat. Everybody came that way who ever did come marching in arms; Alexander, Genghis Khan, Tamerlane have all encamped there, and that great conqueror with spade and dumpy-level, M. de Lesseps, has been lately fixing his eagle eye upon the same spot. If within the crumbling walls all is horribly unsanitary, outside the land is most fruitful—a garden of orchards and endless vineyards, cornfields to feed the finest army, and countless flocks of sheep are seen in this pleasant valley along the banks of the Heirrood—the antique river Arius. The water of this stream, cooled by the snows of the Paropamisus, is as famous in legends for its purity as that of Choaspes or the Nile; and the Candahar and Bokhara caravans look forward to the Herati loaves of white wheat after their toils as African travellers hanker after the succulent steaks of a London Club. A thing of nets—as we have said, might camp in this fair vale, and while they turned the mouldering brick ramparts into impregnable defences they might supply themselves for years with almost all that invaders could need. It is always called the *Sender*, or "market," of Central Asia; and in addition to cereals, fruit and cattle, this desirable plain or upland supplies inexhaustible amounts of lead, iron, sulphur, and charcoal. He who holds Herat has the western key of Affghanistan, and although there is another door to be opened—and a strong one—before he comes to Peshawar and Attock, still Russia and Persia, and all the world knows, that if any but Affghan or English soldiers stood upon the walls of Herat, it must either be by a surprise effected upon British diplomacy, to be sternly repaired, or by the surrender of the established British policy which has drawn a clear line with the sword's point upon the map of Asia, and written the frank and necessary words upon it, "Thus far, and no farther."

Yet is it at all generally known that one brave and able boy of English blood, alone and unaided, saved this immeasurably important gate-way-town, some forty years ago, from falling into Persian hands? Every student of Eastern history remembers well enough, of course, what Eldred Pottinger did; but we shall want such men in the future, and it is worth while, in speaking of Herat, to revive the story of that siege in 1837, when a Shah of Persia, with Russian money in his chests, Russian soldiers in his ranks, and Russian Count Simonich directing the attack, beleaguered the city. This young Bombay engineer, travelling in Asia to collect coins and historical facts, found himself shut up in the place with the Hera is, and had picked up enough of politics to understand that neither Shah nor Czar had any business within the ramparts. Knowing nothing of the science of defence except what his college-books had taught him, Pottinger nevertheless went to work, and put Herat into order. He multiplied himself into fifty men, every one a hero, to animate the garrison, and repulsed the fiercest attacks of the Persians and Muscovites; so that the Heratis again and again, under his lead, drove the assailing swarms beyond the city ditch, shouting behind that English boy for war-cry "Shabbash! Chuh Rustam!"—Well done! He is Rustum come to life again!" When the last desperate assault was delivered, and Yar Mahomed, the generalissimo of Kamran the King, gave everything up for lost, sitting with his pipe lighted ready to die, Pottinger dragged the fatalist to the trench, and the two drove the townsmen before them atop of the Persians, so that on the point of victory the invaders were again hurled back, and seventeen hundred of them, including the Russian General Berowski, fell in that ugly rush, the spirit for which was given by the undaunted courage of the Englishman. The rest was easily finished by sending a detachment of British troops to Kurrack. With Eldred Pottinger behind the walls of Herat, and English ships in the Persian Gulf, Mahomed Shah was glad enough to get back to Teheran with all that was left of his 40,000 Iranis and Muscovites. That defence of Herat is well worthy to rank with Arcot, as a proof of what lives in English blood to dare and do; and when it is remembered that this gallant boy had never seen service, and had no one but wild Shiahs and Affghans around him, it deserves a paragraph even at this date to recall the achievement of Eldred Pottinger, in order that, if need should arise anywhere, others may be encouraged to prove themselves as fearless and as faithful to the interests of Britain. Those who observe what is going on in Persia, and who read the coarse reproaches of the Russian organs upon our abstention from the conference on the Usages of War, know very well that the gates of India cannot be guarded with compliments and a careless trust in Princes. Our Government may be as polite as possible, but powder must none the less be kept dry, and a clear and steady policy, not only with regard to Affghanistan and the Oxus line, but also the Attrek valley must be pursued. Yakoob Khan must not be murdered; but does Lord Northbrook know yet what the young Sirdar was going to do with Herat if Shere Ali had not marched his own men in?

THE PROPOSED NICARAGUAN CANAL.

(Times.)

The project for connecting the Atlantic with the Pacific by means of a ship-canal through the isthmus of Central America has been revived. We printed on Saturday a letter addressed to M. de Lesseps by M. de Marcoleta, the Minister of Nicaragua to Great Britain, and M. Petitdier, Consul-General of Nicaragua in France, in which those gentlemen bespeak the sympathy of M. Lesseps for an enterprise which will complete his own great work at Suez, and which will open their natural road to "that crowd of magnificent ships which, leaving the great ports of almost all the nations of Europe, carry to the West Coast of America and to the Oceanic Archipelago the products of commerce and industry." M. de Lesseps replies graciously; intimates that the conclusions obtained from the Suez works are at the service of the promoters; and so far enters into details as to point out what is the first engineering condition of an interoceanic canal. No one of the American isthmuses admits of the problem being solved as it was solved on the African isthmus—that is, through a canal without weirs, or what the French sometimes call a "Bosphorus." The interoceanic canal must be a large canal with weirs and with a good many of them; it must, therefore, have an inexhaustible reservoir, and such a reservoir is, in the opinion of M. de Lesseps afforded only by the lake of Nicaragua.

It is natural that the achievement of the Suez Canal should recall attention to what was so long the sister project—a project cherished with equal or even greater ardour; and, in the opinion of many sceptics not more, but rather less, visionary than that very Suez idea now accomplished. Since, in 1513, Nunez de Bilboa first saw the Pacific from the heights above Darien, innumerable schemes have been proposed for avoiding the navigation round Cape Horn. From Port Escoces on the Isthmus of Panama, to San Miguel the distance is under 40 miles,—less than half the width of the neck between the Mediterranean and the Red Sea,—and it was with reluctance that engineers were forced to recognize that the summit level was everywhere high, that the ridge was rocky, and that it would be hard, if not impossible, to get water for the higher levels of a canal. As regards the Isthmus of Panama, the opening of the railway from Aspinwall to Panama in 1855 may be said to have shelved the question. But another route, though perhaps less immediately obvious, had long been considered, or even preferred, by the projectors of a canal from sea to sea. The Republic of Nicaragua has a territory, bounded on the north by Honduras, on the south by Costa Rica. The northern part of this territory, including Segovia and a part of Chontales, borders on the high plateau of Honduras and shares its mountainous character. The southern part—separating this highland district from the high mountain group or centre of elevation in Costa Rica—is the basin of the Nicaraguan Lakes, lying transverse to the Cordillera range, which it interrupts, —a country of broad, fertile plains, about 300 miles long by 150 wide. In its centre are the lakes of Managua and Nicaragua, which collect the waters flowing inward, and discharge them through one great outlet —the San Juan River—into the Caribbean Sea. Lake Nicaragua has an extreme length of over 100 miles, and an average width of 40 miles. The water in most places shoals very gradually, and there are only a few points at which vessels of any size can approach the shore. The general depth—in some places not less than 40 fathoms—is, however, ample for purposes of navigation except near the mouth of the San Juan. That river, from the lake till it debouches at Greytown, is, with its windings, about 120 miles long, and in the rainy season, from May till October, has a large volume of water. Till the middle of this century schemes for a Nicaraguan canal had always gone on the theory that the river was navigable from Greytown to the lake, and that therefore it was only necessary to cut through the neck of about 18 miles on the other side, between the lake and the Pacific. Such an idea was first entertained as far back as 1527; and since then the projects have been numerous. In 1781 the narrow neck just mentioned was surveyed for the Spanish Government by Don Manuel Galisteo; in 1838 it was surveyed for the Government of Central America by Mr. John Baily; and between 1842 and 1844, at the very time that the Government of Louis Philippe was contemplating a canal across the Isthmus of Panama, preliminary surveys of the Nicaraguan Isthmus were made at the instance of Prince Napoleon Louis Bonaparte, afterwards Napoleon III., then a prisoner in the fortress of Ham. As Mr. Bianchard Jerrold mentioned in the letter which we published on Monday, the Government of Central America decided, on the 8th of January, 1846, that the work should be called the "*Canale Napoleone de Nicaragua*;" and, on coming to England in the same year, the Prince published his plans, laying down the very line to which the American surveyors reverted as lately as the summer of 1872. But the first survey which fully conformed to the requirements of modern engineering science was that made by Colonel Childs in 1851. Two years before—in 1849—the "Atlantic and Pacific Ship Canal Company," now extinct, obtained a charter for 85 years from the completion of the work, for which 12 years were allowed, it being stipulated that the Canal was to revert to the State at the expiration of the work, and that the State was to receive for the first twenty years after the opening 20 per cent. and subsequently 25 per cent. These were scarcely conditions to encourage a large investment of capital, but the enterprise was then considered to be so far on the way towards realization that in July, 1850, a convention was made between Great Britain and the United States, in which Sir Henry Lytton Bulwer on our behalf, and Mr. Clayton on theirs, defined the principles which should apply to an Interoceanic Canal, wherever and whenever constructed. But it was not until this Convention—which may now possibly see the light again—were, that neither Power should obtain or maintain exclusive control of the Canal; that neither should capture or destroy any other Power's Transit; that both Powers should protect the capitalists and facilitate the works; and that both should guarantee the neutrality of the Canal so long as its proprietors should not discriminate unfairly between different vessels or the citizens of different States. When Colonel Childs began his survey for the Company, he soon recognized the fallacy of the old assumption as to the continuous navigability of the San Juan. The line surveyed by him comprised three sections. The western division was a proposed Canal from the little port of Brito, on the Pacific, to the point where a stream called the Rio Lajas flows into the lake, rather more than 18 miles; the middle division was from the lake, across the lake, to San Carlos, at the head of the San Juan River, rather more than 56 miles; the eastern division was in two sections—the first, slack water navigation on the San Juan River from San Carlos to a point opposite the mouth of the Rio Serapiqui, 90 miles and a fraction; the second, a canal from this point to the port of San Juan del Norte, or Greytown, 23 miles and a fraction—giving (with fractional differences) a total length from ocean to ocean of about 194 miles. The canal was to be only 17 feet deep; its width at the surface was to be 118 feet where the excavations were in earth 78 1-3 feet where they were in rock. The estimate, with 25 per cent. for contingencies, was £6,570,482. The surveys and estimates of Colonel Childs were submitted to the British Government, who referred them to a Commission of Engineers. The Commission, assuming the *data* to be accurate, offered this flly two criticisms—that the proposed Pacific harbour at Brito was too small and too open, and that the margin for "contingencies" ought to be at least 25 per cent. The plans and reports were subsequently examined by a Committee of English capitalists, who, after investigation, declined to support or to recommend the scheme. They observed, first, that the Canal, as projected, was too small for the requirements of commerce, since not more than one-third of the vessels engaged in the Oriental trade could pass through it; secondly, that many vessels which could pass through it would be deterred by a toll of 12s. 6d. per ton; whereas, in order that the Canal should pay, the annual passage of shipping would require to be upwards of a million tons. So long as the Canal could be made for six millions and a half sterling, to pay simple interest on the investment at 6 per cent would require at least £390,000 a year above current expenses; to pay, besides this, the interest stipulated for Nicaragua would require £473,000; so that, allowing £200 000 a year for repairs, superintendence, cost of transport &c., the gross annual revenue must be £673,000.

These were the calculations of nearly a quarter of a century ago. It is for the engineers and the capitalists of to-day to pronounce whether the conditions of expenditure and of profits are materially altered. All, however, will do well to bear in mind that there are certain conditions which are immutable—the conditions of geographical distance. Over and over again in Intercolonial Canal has been talked of as if it would be a short cut from anywhere to everywhere. Over and over again it has been pointed out that the supposed advantage has limits. For communication with the Sandwich Islands and with the Western Coast of America, the Canal would, doubtless, be a considerable gain, both to the United States and to Europe. As compared with the route by Cape Horn, it would bring England 4,860 miles nearer the Sandwich Islands, 3,220 miles nearer Callao, and 1,200 miles nearer Valparaiso. For communication with the East, the Canal would, of course, be a great gain to the United States. It would open a shorter route between New York and Sydney, Canton, and Singapore, though the route from New York to Calcutta by the Cape of Good Hope would still be shorter by 1,320 miles. To England, the sole gain in the communication with these countries —a considerable one, no doubt—would be as regards Sydney, to which the voyage by the Canal would be 2,320 miles shorter than the voyage by the Cape of Good Hope. On the other hand, the voyage from England by the Canal would be longer than by the Cape of Good Hope for Canton by 900 miles, for Calcutta by 4,040 miles, for Singapore by 4,240 miles. When one considers these simple facts, and then reads of "that crowd of magnificent ships" which is for ever to press through the Canal, it is difficult not to sympathize with the personage in the play who announces that he cannot see the fleet—because 'tis not in sight. We are far from wishing to discourage American or Continental investors, but Englishmen who are attracted by the project may be counselled to pause and reflect that, with advantages limited as we have described, a Nicaraguan Canal would have to sustain competition with two interoceanic railways—the Panama line on the south, and the Honduras line on the north.

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